

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

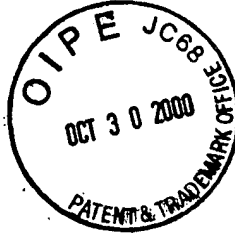
In re the Application of:

Makoto YOSHIOKA, et al.

Serial No.: 08/645,073

Filed: May 13, 1996

For: CONTENT SALES PERIOD VERIFYING SYSTEM AND CONTENT  
DECRYPTION KEY EFFECTIVE PERIOD VERIFYING SYSTEM



Group Art Unit: 2766

Examiner: B. Gregory

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J. Ross  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO PTO-327**

New claim fees already paid with our Amendment of July 31, 2000.

Assistant Commissioner  
for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment comes in response to the "Notice of Informal Response," PTO-327, mailed on October 18, 2000. This Amendment is similar to the previous Amendment filed on July 31, 2000, responsive to the Office Action dated May 2, 2000, but with the informalities noted by the Examiner corrected. Therefore, this Amendment in effect replaces the previously filed Amendment.

The following remarks and amendments are respectfully submitted.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please AMEND the claims as follows:

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